Cellular phones purchased by foreign nationals

727. SHRIMATI BIMBA RAIKAR: Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS AND INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY be pleased to state:

(a) whether a large number of foreign nationals have reportedly bought cellular connections in Kolkata from the service provider without furnishing their local contact addresses or foreign identity proof to Government;

(b) whether this constitutes a national security breach;

(c) whether Government have impressed upon the cellular service provider the serious security implications arising from this breach; and

(d) if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMUNICATIONS AND INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY (DR. SHAKEEL AHMAD): (a) It has come to the notice of the Government that one of the mobile service providers has given mobile connections to some of the foreign nationals without proper verification of the *bona fides* of the applicants.

(b) This amounts to non-fulfilment of terms and conditions of licence agreement and instructions issued from time to time.

(c) and (d) Department of Telecommunications (DoT) has issued instructions from time to time to all cellular mobile service providers impressing upon them the need for verification of addresses of all applicants (including foreign nationals) before providing cellular mobile telephone connections to them.

Funds allocated for electronic telephone exchanges in U.P.

728. PROF. M.M. AGARWAL: Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS AND INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY be pleased to state:

(a) the details of funds allotted for installation of electronic telephone exchanges in the State of Uttar Pradesh during the year 2003-04;

(b) the new electronic telephone exchanges set up, so far, during this period; and

(c) the details of such telephone exchanges proposed to be set up in the different parts of the country during the year 2004-05?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMUNICATIONS AND INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY (DR. SHAKEEL AHMAD): (a) The funds allotted for installation of electronic telephone exchanges in U.P. during the year 2003-04 was Rs. 326.07 crores.

(b) 32 new electronic telephone exchanges were set up in U.P. during 2003-04.

(c) 168 new electronic exchanges are proposed to be set up in the different parts of the country during the year 2004-05. The details are given in the enclosed Statement.

Statement

Details of electronic telephone exchanges proposed to be set up during the year 2004-05

Sl. No.	Circle/District	Number of Exchanges	Name of Exchange
1.	Andaman & Nicobar	Nil	
2.	Andhra Pradesh	8	Marutla-II
			Mahal
			Y. Ramavaram
			Madugula
			G.K. Veedhi
			Gundala
			Veerareddypally
			Jalalpur
3.	Assam	1	Goalpara
4.	Bihar	38	Kamamepur
			Bhadwar
			Jitaura
			Bihta
			Dihri
			Sonma
			Fateha

Sl. No.	Circle/District	Number of Exchanges	Name of Exchange
			Shyampura Bazar
			Gopalpur Kothi
			Bhagaul
			Umgaon
			Bishaul
			Jhakhim
			Tandwa
			Salaiya
			Sarbahda
			Pandiygangoth
			Ante
			Mathurapur
			Ahiyapur
			Jamuria
			Andherbari
			Kuarigola
			Magoorjan
			Mohanpur
			Mahthawa Bazar
			Ruidhasa
			Alta Kamalpur
			Lohagara
			Batuaha
			Navtan Bhatwalia
			Borwa
			Telwa
			Belaw
			Sigodi
			Jaitipur
			Potahi
			Jhitkiya

Sl. No.	Circle/District	Number of Exchanges	Name of Exchange
5.	Chhattisgarh	Nil	
6.	Haryana	Nil	
7.	Jharkhand	14	Govindpur
			Dumka-II
			HZB New-II
			Dhurwa Sect-II
			Ormanjhi
			Daltonganj-II
			Redma
			Dhanbad-IV
			Jairampur
			Deoghar-II
			Dumka (old Bldg.)
			Giridih-II
			Dande
			Devdarm
8.	Gujarat	3	Vadala
			Vandhiya
			Velspan Site
9.	Himachal Pradesh	4	Panog
			Thanakot
			Badhlag
			Kathwar
10.	Jammu & Kashmir	14	Imam Sahib
			Dumkhar
			Kumbthang
			Bodh-Karboo
			Thusgam
			Yaripora
			Gund
			Chokian

Sl. No.	Circle/District	Number of Exchanges	Name of Exchange
			Bhawani
			Dabraj
			Bogdang
			Panamick
			Hemis-Sukhpachan
			Batalick
11.	Karnataka	2	Kerady
			Kenjala
12.	Kerala	3	Edappallicotta
			Thudayannaur
			Arivilanjapoyil
13.	Madhya Pradesh	3	Kakaiya
			Mada
			Goraiya
14.	Maharashtra	Nil	
15.	North-East-I	5	Kharkutta
			Lawbah
			Nongtalang
			Mendel
			Umdan
16.	North-East-II	1	Chanpikorong
17.	Orissa	11	Merikote
			Bandhakana
			Madanpur
			Kirkakani
			Kuliabandh
			Ghumsar
			Salinia
			Digapur
			Dangasorda
			Jagdalpur
			Jhariabahal
18.	Punjab	3	Bal Singh Nagar

Sl. No.	Circle/District	Number of Exchanges	Name of Exchange
			RTTC Rajpura
			Shampura
19.	Rajasthan	Nil	
20.	Tamil Nadu	9	Vriddachalam Periyar Nagar
			Ukkadam
			Raja Street
			Villukkuri
			Nanguneri Mepz
			Vikramasingapuram Dhana
			Chatram
			Kavunji
			Gunduppatti
21.	Uttar Pradesh (East)	3	Barauna
			Gorahara
22.	Uttar Pradesh (West)	Nil	Baragaon
23.	Uttaranchal	9	Karbala
			Pithoragarh GIC Road
			Kichha
			Pantwari
			Pokhari
			Koteshwar Dam
			Bhenti
			Kotrisain
			Kotma
24.	West Bengal	12	Kalupur
			Paikpara
			Kalyanpur
			South Garia
			Banipur
			Maljurnana
			Tamluk (South)

Sl. No.	Circle/District	Number of Exchanges	Name of Exchange
			Ghatal City
			Krishnanagar (Admn. Budg.)
			Peasbari
			Tulsihata
			Lodhahura
25.	Kolkata Telephones	16	Grindlays Bank RSU
			Kendriya Vihar RSU
			Ultadanga RSU
			Nandaram Markat RSU
			City Centre RSU
			Badu RSU
			Kash Nath Dutta Rd RSU
			Akra RD RSU
			Joka OCM Main
			J.M. Avenue RSU
			Ramachandrapur Hut RSU
			Lady Brabourne College RSU
			Jagaddal RSU
			Jadu Babu Bazar RSU
			Mohispota RSU
			K.N. Ghoshal Rd. RSU
26.	Chennai Telephones	9	Ekkattuthangal
			Aminjikarai
			Rahat Plaza
			Sivagamipuram
			New Washermanpet
			Nehru Nagar
			West K.K. Nagar
			Akkarai
			MKB Nagar
	TOTAL	168	